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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Village of Coxsackie Receives \$4.5 Million NYS Grant



On March 3rd, Village Mayor Mark Evans and members of the Downtown Coxsackie committee were presented with a check for \$4.5 million as a winner of the first round of the NY Forward grant initiative. This funding will be applied to the ongoing restoration, renovation and re-invention of the Reed Street Historic District. Read the full story at: <https://greencountyedc.com/news/village-of-coxsackie-receives-4500000-in-ny-forward-funding/>

Over 30 Businesses Participate in Career Day at C-GCC

**COLUMBIA-GREENE
JOB & CAREER FAIR
MARCH 20TH**
11 AM - 4 PM
COLUMBIA-GREENE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

A job fair and career expo featuring businesses from Greene and Columbia Counties

COME EXPLORE CAREER OPPORTUNITIES IN:
Human Services • Healthcare • Retail
Manufacturing • Civil Service • Corrections
Transportation • And More...

Representatives from employers including Ferguson Enterprises, Ducommun, ARC Mid-Hudson, Serta Simmons Mattress, Greene County Human Resources, Community Action of Greene County, Windham Resort, Bank of Greene County, Walmart, Blackthorne Resort, Cornell

Cooperative Extension, SPIE Security and others connected with over 100 job seekers throughout the day on March 20th. Chris Nardone of C-G Workforce NY received several emails from attending businesses that attendance resulted in hires. "We are happy with the outcome", reports Nardone, "and are planning the next big job fair for early June so we can try to engage high school students that might be looking for summer work and support our employers in filling those necessary summer positions."



Greene County Student Government Day

On March 20th, 17 Home Schooled students and their parents were welcomed as "The Next Generation of Leaders" by the Greene County Legislature and Staff. Two groups attended sessions in the Frank P. Stabile Legislative Chambers where they learned about the function of county government and the districts it serves; met K-9 Sheriff Deputy and his dog Bolt; got an overview of the Probation Department from Supervisor Baldwin-Deyo, and learned how elections work with a voting exercise. Meanwhile, in the Caucus Room, Ray Ward, Director of Real Property Tax Service gave a demonstration of the county's Geographic Information System (GIS). Director of Business Marketing Teri Weiss and her team from KathodeRay Media familiarized the group with the county's communications outreach to both residents and visitors on multiple websites and social media platforms.

TOURISM

Large Scale Music Events Return to Greene County



Last year Grey Fox Bluegrass Festival returned to Oak Hill bringing major live music events back to Greene County for the first time since COVID-19. Two new major live music events have joined Grey Fox for 2023, Concert in the Catskills: The River Sessions on June 24 and Cave Mountain Music Festival on September 15 and 16. Concert in the Catskills: The River Sessions will take place at the Historic Catskill Point, headlined by Country music star Michael Ray with Spencer Crandall and Special Guest Ian Flanigan. The Cave Mountain Music Festival is a two-day music festival being held at Windham Mountain. It is headlined by Grammy Award-winning artist Weezer, Joe Russo's Almost Dead, and many more supporting artists. Find out more about these events at the links below:

Grey Fox: <https://www.greatnortherncatskills.com/events/grey-fox-bluegrass-festival>

Concert in the Catskills: <https://www.greatnortherncatskills.com/events/concert-catskills>

Cave Mountain Music Festival: <https://www.greatnortherncatskills.com/events/cave-mountain-music-festival>

Film Production in Greene County



The Greene County Film Commission recently worked with an independent production in the Town of Catskill. It was the first film Senior Tourism Marketing Coordinator Erin Dennin coordinated since joining the Tourism team. She successfully worked with several agencies, including the Greene County Sheriff's Office and Greene County Highway Department, to limit the impact on local travel and residents during production. "You [Erin Dennin] are the best, and I will continue to bring projects to you and shout from every mountain that you are the best," said Daniel April, co-producer of the film. Several other production companies are currently working with the Greene County Film Commission, providing a positive economic impact.

<https://www.greatnortherncatskills.com/film>



Camptown Opens in Leeds

Camptown Catskills in Leeds had a soft opening for guests on March 16, and the Great Northern Catskills of Greene County Tourism Office staff was there to visit. Formerly the Rip Van Winkle Motor Lodge, Camptown is located on Route 23B, less than a mile from Thruway Exit 21. Set within wooded acreage, it has been completely renovated featuring 24 guest rooms in the motor lodge and 26 log cabins, a cozy lobby with fireplace and work area, a modern Mexican restaurant called Casa Susanna, a horseshoe-shaped bar, honor system pantry, fire pits, and much more. Coming soon will be an outdoor pool, pool bar, and sundeck with loungers and cabanas. Director of Tourism Patty Austin said, "Conveniently found just down the road from the Visitors Center, Camptown feels secluded yet inviting. From the lobby to the restaurant and the cabins to the motor lodge, Camptown is a wonderful addition for anyone visiting the Great Northern Catskills of Greene County."

<https://www.greatnortherncatskills.com/resorts-lodging/camptown>

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